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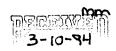
Dear Sir/Madam:

The U.S.E.P.A. has not published final guidance for environmental information which may constitute a substantial risk under Section 8(e) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). At this time, however, Cytec Industries Inc. (Cytec) is reporting the preliminary results of analyses recently conducted at its Wallingford, CT facility to EPA under Section 8(e) of TSCA.

The results of the analyses indicate the presence of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) in the soil at this site in a localized area covered with asphalt. The results of one of the seven soil borings indicate a concentration of 7200 ppm at a depth of nine feet below grade. The other soil borings show lower levels of PCBs.

At this time, Cytec believes that the soil contamination has resulted in little, if any, exposure over the years. The ground above the localized area is not only covered with asphalt but is also surrounded by a loading dock foundation and a railroad spur. Studies have been completed to determine the boundaries of the soil contamination in three of the four directions. The study to define the fourth boundary is still underway. Also, there are two groundwater monitoring wells in close proximity to the contamination. These wells are currently being sampled to assure that there is no groundwater contamination.

Cytec is also reporting these findings to the CT DEP and USEPA Region I as a historical release. This conclusion is based on the fact that the heat transfer fluid in the



process building was Arochlor 1248, a PCB containing material. This material was used in the 1950s and replaced in the early 1960s with a non-PCB containing heat transfer fluid. This was the only time that PCB containing materials were used in the building immediately adjacent to the area of contamination.

Cytec is submitting this information to you according to Section 8(e) of TSCA but Cytec does not believe that the presence of the PCB containing material at these concentrations represents a substantial risk to human health or the environment. Therefore, in the absence of guidance, Cytec has chosen to report this information. Please direct all communications on this notification to R.B. Tabakin at (908) 862-6000 at extension 225.

Sincerely,

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This letter formally acknowledges EPA's receipt of information submitted by your organization under Section 8(e), the "substantial risk" information reporting provision of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). For your reference, copies of the first page(s) of your submission(s) are enclosed and display the TSCA Section 8(e) Document Control Number (i.e., 8EHQ-0000-0000 Init.) assigned by EPA to your submission(s). Please refer to this cited number when submitting follow-up or supplemental information.

Please note that all submitted correspondence will be placed in the public files unless confidentiality is claimed according to the procedures outlined in Part X of EPA's TSCA Section 8(e) policy statement (43 FR 11110, March 16, 1978).

Confidential submissions submitted pursuant to the TSCA Section 8(e) Compliance Audit Program (CAP) should already contain information supporting confidentiality claims, because substantiation of CBI claims is required at the same time the 8(e) CAP is submitted to EPA. (If not done so already, please ensure that this information is provided to the Agency). When substantiating any/all claims, answer the questions detailed in the following attachment.

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